

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINS, KS, US  
SUBJ: CONGRESSMAN FRASER'S INQUIRY ABOUT WELFARE OF PEOPLES  
REVOLUTIONARY PARTY PRISONERS

REF: A) STATE 22155, B) SEOUL 963

1. ROKG SOURCES CONFIRM PREVIOUS REPORT THAT CHONG MAN-  
JIN (CHONG MAN-CHIN) AND LEE TAE-HWAN (YI T'AE-HWAN)  
ARE WELL AND THAT MEDICAL TREATMENT IS AVAILABLE TO  
THEM IF REQUIRED.

2. KNCC HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION SOURCES HAVE DEVELOPED  
NO (RPT NO) INFORMATION TO INDICATE THAT EITHER PRISONER  
HAS SPECIAL MEDICAL OR HEALTH PROBLEMS. (REF B  
REPORTED THAT CHONG UNDERWENT SUCCESSFUL APPENDICITIS  
OPERATION IN OCTOBER 1977). KNCC SOURCES DID NOTE THAT  
JAILS IN WHICH PRISONERS ARE BEIN HELD HAVE REPUTATION  
FOR BEING STRICT WITH DETAINEES CONSIDERED COMMUNISTS OR  
COMMUNIST SYMPATHIZERS.  
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